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- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No.II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i)with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No.VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No.VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. FURTHER ACTION

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

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Box No. I Basis of the opinion

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 a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).

2. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement:

Novelty (N)	Claims 1-20	YES
	Claims none	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1-20	YES
	Claims none	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-20	YES
	Claims none	NO

2. Citations and explanations

(1) Reference is made to the following documents:

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(2) The present invention discloses an apparatus, which comprises a switching mechanism to switch an input line between a first input voltage and a second input voltage, a pulse generator coupled to the switching mechanism to generate an electronic pulse train at a high frequency in response to the first input voltage and an electronic pulse train at a low frequency in response to the second input voltage, an oscillator circuit coupled to the pulse generator to receive the electronic pulse train, and an ultrasonic transmitter coupled to the oscillator circuit to produce an ultrasonic signal at a frequency that is a function of a frequency of the electronic pulse train.

(3) D1 discloses a remote control and radio position finding electrical white board system. The invention is composed of the strokes sensor 11, the signal pencil 15, the board eraser 16, the common writing white board 18 and the remote controller 17. The remote controller employs the general radio remote controller with at least four keys, together with the modulation module and the aerial, which transmits the remote control information. With the software interface of operating the PC remotely and wirelessly, the use can use conveniently. The influence of the external noise and the supersonic echo is eliminated, by adding the narrow pulse filter and by controlling the working period of the pulse shaping circuit. By this means, the volume of the signal pencil can be decreased.

D2 discloses a digital pen that has a writing tip, the digital pen includes an ultrasonic (US) transducer on a pen body that generates frames of US pulses toward a receiver base in response to an infrared (IR) synchronizing signal from the base. The first pulse of a frame is adjusted by a modulo of the US period tau when the time of arrival (TOA) of the first pulse varies from an expected TOA by more than e-half tau. The TOAs of successive pulses in the frame, which are one wavelength apart from each other, are adjusted forward in time by subtracting from each pulse TOA (i-1)tau, and then several of the adjusted pulse TOAs in a single frame are averaged together to determine a frame TOA. The frame TOAs from plural receivers on the base are then triangulated to determine a pen position for that frame, with the pen positions being input to a handwriting recognition module.

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